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Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 forms be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified divisional patent application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d)(1), copies of the forty (40) cited art references on the attached three (3) pages of Form PTO-1449, specifically, references A-NN, are not attached hereto, as each of these forty (40) references was either previously submitted by the Applicant, or cited by the Examiner in the NonFinal Office Action mailed November 6, 2002, in the related patent application U.S.S.N. 09/840,060, filed April 23, 2001, which has now been allowed and which will

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Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), Applicants do not represent that a search has been made and do not admit that these references are, or are considered to be, material to the patentability of the present divisional application.

As this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted concurrently with the filing of the divisional patent application referenced above, and therefore, before the mailing of the first office action on the merits, Applicants believe that no fee is due. However, should the Commissioner deem that a fee is due, Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner accept this as a Petition Therefor, and authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees due to Baker Botts L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 02-0383, Order No. 065823.0110.

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